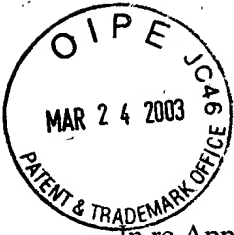


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RESPONSE

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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action of December 17, 2002, please consider the following:

REMARKS

The Office Action indicates that the subject matter of Claim 7 is allowed.

Claims 1-6 were held to be unpatentable as obvious over the *Moriwaki et al.* U.S. Patent No. 5,995,180.

The *Moriwaki et al.* reference is directed to a liquid crystal display device utilizing polarized light and more particularly an LCD reflection type display having a high brightness

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